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Demonstrate the capability to identify the need for external assistance and to request such assistance from Federal or other support organizations.

INTENT

This objective is derived from NUREG-0654 which provides that OROs should have the capability to request assistance from Federal agencies, nuclear and other facilities, organizations, individuals, and radiological laboratories. OROs also should be prepared to provide resources required to support any of these assisting external organizations. (See evaluation criteria from Planning Standards C. and N.)

Demonstration of this objective focuses on ORO identification of needs for external assistance, requests for such assistance, and provision of support to the external agencies or organizations providing assistance, through adherence to ORO plans.

DEMONSTRATION CRITERIA

NUREG CRITERION

C.1.a.,b., 1. Supplementary assistance is requested when need for C.3.,4. outside organizational support is established.

Explanation

Responsible OROs should demonstrate the capability to:

- o recognize and identify limitations in their own resources
- o determine circumstances that require outside assistance
- o secure required resources from external organizations

Assistance from outside support agencies or organizations may be in the form of personnel, knowledge and expertise, equipment, supplies, services, or funding. Responsible OROs should demonstrate knowledge of the identity of contact individual(s) for each outside

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organization and the use of appropriate communication system(s). Assistance also may be secured under the Price Anderson Act through the American Nuclear Insurers and through FEMA under Title V of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act [Public Law (P.L.) 93-288, as amended].

Extent of Play

Under this criterion, all activities should be carried out as specified in the plan, unless deviation from the plan is provided in the extent-of-play agreement.

NUREG CRITERION

C.1.a.,b.,c., 2. C.3.,4.

2. OROs demonstrate the capability to support and facilitate the response of external organizations.

Explanation

Responsible OROs should demonstrate the capability to provide required support or resources requested by the responding external organization(s) to effect the assistance requested by the ORO. Examples of such support and resources include: air fields, transportation vehicles, command posts, office space, telephone lines, radio frequencies, telecommunications centers, supplies, and equipment.

Extent of Play

Under this criterion, all activities should be carried out as specified in the plan, unless deviation from the plan is provided in the extent-of-play agreement.

NUREG CRITERION

N.1.a.

3. All activities described in the demonstration criteria for this objective are carried out in accordance with the plan, unless deviations are provided for in the extent-of-play agreement.

Explanation

Responsible OROs should demonstrate the capability to follow policies, implement procedures, and utilize equipment and facilities contained in the plans. OROs should demonstrate that they can follow sequences outlined in the various procedures and perform specified activities, as necessary.

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CLARIFICATION OF TERMS

Federal or other support organizations refers to Federal agencies such as FEMA, the Department of Energy, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, or any other governmental, quasi-governmental, or private organizations (e.g., American Red Cross, Civil Air Patrol, Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Services, cooperating State compact radiological monitoring or sampling personnel, and national or university laboratories) that may provide assistance in radiological emergencies.

Monitoring refers to checking radiation levels, usually by counting ambient radiation.

Sampling refers to collecting specimens of materials at field locations.